House Resolution No. 988

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding young Missouri citizen who has distinguished herself as a leader of her peers; and

Whereas, Ashley Jill Hopkins of Hamilton, Missouri, has been selected to receive the prestigious 2003-2004 Lieutenant Governor's Service Award during an appropriate ceremony to be held in conjunction with Missouri Service Day on March 17, 2004, at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, Ashley Hopkins is one of only eighteen participants who will be recognized for their significant contributions of service to their local community with awards in each age category as fellow citizens, young and old, gather at the statehouse to support their work and praise their achievements; and

Whereas, nominees for the 2003-2004 Lieutenant Governor's Service Awards must be active members of their community and participants or members of national service programs such as AmeriCorps, Senior Corps/VISTA, and Learn & Serve America; and

Whereas, Ashley Hopkins has been an active and enthusiastic participant in the Learn & Serve America national service program for the past three years, during which time she has been involved in the Students Assisting Students tutoring program at local elementary schools; and

Whereas, Ashley Hopkins is an exemplary student in the Hamilton R-II School District, where she excels in her studies, maintains an impressive 3.72 G.P.A., and participates in the Future Community and Career Leaders of America and the National Honor Society; and

Whereas, Ashley Hopkins has been involved in various service learning projects for the past eight years which include tutoring elementary students, visiting nursing home residents, recruiting funds and supplies from local merchants, working in a food kitchen, and helping out with the summer school program; and

Whereas, Ashley Hopkins has achieved all of this and more with the love and encouragement of her family, her teachers, and her friends, all of whom have continually instilled within her the desire to realize her full potential:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ashley Hopkins at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing her only the very best as she continues to serve as an inspiration to other young men and women through service learning and service to her community; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Ashley Jill Hopkins.

Offered by	
	Representative John Quinn
	District No. 7

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 988, adopted March 10, 2004. Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker